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HOUSE MEMORIAL 69

**48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008**

INTRODUCED BY

W. Ken Martinez

A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING RUTH ORTIZ FOR HER YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE NEW  
MEXICO STATE LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz, a lifelong resident of Santa Fe and a long-time employee of the legislature, began her career at the legislature in 1959 as a committee secretary in a secretarial pool for the house of representatives; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz remained an employee with the house of representatives from 1959 until 1967, working part time for Representatives Jack Morgan, Fred Foster and Ray Davenport; and

WHEREAS, while Ruth Ortiz worked part time in the house of representatives, she raised her children, Olivia, Mardell, David, Art, Teresa and Alan, dedicating herself to their upbringing, providing them with excellent educational foundations and setting their courses for fulfillment in life;

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2 WHEREAS, in 1967, Ruth Ortiz began her career at the  
3 legislative council service, where she served for twenty-three  
4 years, until she retired in June 1990; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1991, the indefatigable Ruth Ortiz went to  
6 work for the senate as a committee secretary, where she  
7 remained for the next seven years; and

8 WHEREAS, in 1999, Ruth Ortiz next served as a committee  
9 secretary in the house of representatives, working under  
10 Representative Danice Picraux in the majority office; and

11 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz worked on the house education  
12 committee from 2000 until 2006 with Representative Rick Miera;  
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14 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz currently serves as committee  
15 secretary to the house judiciary committee under Representative  
16 Al Park; and

17 WHEREAS, Ruth Ortiz is known to maintain a calm and  
18 unflappable manner even under the greatest of pressure; and

19 WHEREAS, those with whom and for whom Ruth Ortiz has  
20 worked say that Ruth has been a valuable and valued staff  
21 member who has exhibited the highest of professional standards  
22 in all of her job capacities;

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
24 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Ruth Ortiz be  
25 recognized and thanked for her many years of dedicated service

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1 in the house of representatives, in the senate and at the  
2 legislative council service; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
4 transmitted to Ruth Ortiz.

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